

## A G E N D A

### **NATURAL RESOURCES ITEMS FOR TRANSPORTATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE STATE ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD**

Transportation and Natural Resources - November 28, 2001 - 3:30 P.M.  
State Administrative Board Meeting - December 4, 2001 - 11:00 A.M.

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#### MINERAL LEASES

1. Direct Metallic Minerals Lease, Prime Meridian Resources Inc., of Fond du Lac, Wisconsin, containing 1,221.72 acres, more or less, of Department of Natural Resources State-owned minerals and minerals under private surface, Sections 6, 7, and 8, T45N, R32W, Crystal Falls Township, and Sections 2 and 11, T45N, R33W, Hemitite Township, Iron County.

Terms: A ten-year standard lease, royalty 2 to 7 percent. Bonus  
Consideration: \$2,444.00.

2. Direct Metallic Minerals Lease, Kleinman Pump and Well Drilling Inc., of Iron Mountain, Michigan, containing 2,073.84 acres, more or less, of Department of Natural Resources State-owned minerals and minerals under private surface, Sections 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8, T35N, R28W, Lake Township, Sections 1 and 2, T35N, R29W, Lake Township, and Section 32, T36N, R28W, Holmes Township, Menominee County.

Terms: A ten-year standard lease, royalty 2 to 7 percent. Bonus  
Consideration: \$4,148.00.

These items were formally approved by the Chief, Forest, Mineral and Fire Management of the Department of Natural Resources on November 8, 2001. The form of legal documents involved in these transactions has previously been approved by the Attorney General.

I recommend approval.

Respectfully submitted:

Department of Natural Resources

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Lynne M. Boyd, Manager  
Mineral and Land Management Section  
Forest, Mineral and Fire Management

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## AGENDA

### DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

#### TRANSPORTATION and NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE STATE ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD

T&NR Meeting: November 28, 2001 - Secretary of State's Office, 3:30 PM  
State Administrative Board Meeting: December 4, 2001 - State Capital, 11:00 AM

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#### **AUTHORIZATIONS TO SUBCONTRACT**

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| 1. | <b>Snowden, Inc.<br/>P.O. Box 439<br/>Escanaba, MI 49829</b> | <b>Emergency Guardrail Replacement<br/>US-2 (Iron County)</b> | <b>\$46,259.25</b> |
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Approval is requested retroactively for an emergency guardrail replacement subcontract awarded by the Iron County Road Commission (CRC). A section of guardrail on US-2 in Iron County was heavily damaged by a semi-truck rollover accident. A thorough inspection of the damaged rail and adjoining guardrail sections revealed that the guardrail was in very poor and hazardous condition. The replacement work was deemed an emergency project by the region. This work needs to be completed before winter weather and hazardous driving conditions set in. As such, the work was advertised, and a sole bid was received and accepted on October 12, 2001, by the Iron CRC. The region and county maintenance officials deem this bid reasonable for the type of work prescribed. The subcontract amount is \$46,259.25. The project must be completed on or before November 30, 2001. Source of Funds: 100% State Restricted Trunkline Funds.

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## CONTRACTS

2. MUNICIPAL - Cost Participation for Construction Contract

Amendatory contract (2001-5410) between MDOT and the Isabella County Road Commission will provide for participation by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) in the 10.2 km of bituminous bicycle path paving on the CSX Railroad right-of-way from the Midland County Line to 1.0 km west of Leaton Road.

Estimated Funds:

ORIGINAL

FHWA Funds	\$ 637,749
State Restricted Trunkline Funds	\$ 318,874
Isabella County Road Commission Funds	\$ 637,749
Total Funds	<u>\$1,594,372</u>

AMENDED

	<u>PART A</u>	<u>PART B</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
FHWA Funds	\$ 637,749	\$ -0-	\$ 637,749
State Restricted Trunkline Funds	\$ 318,874	\$ -0-	\$ 318,874
Isabella County Road Commission Funds	<u>\$ 637,749</u>	<u>\$188,500</u>	<u>\$ 826,249</u>
Total Funds	<u>\$1,594,372</u>	<u>\$188,500</u>	<u>\$1,782,872</u>

STE 37900 - 50883  
Amendment

The purpose of this amendment is to include an extension of the project limits (PART B) and an associated increase in the project cost.

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3. MUNICIPAL - Cost Participation for Construction Contract  
Amendatory contract (2001-5514) between MDOT and Wal-Mart Stores, Inc., will provide for participation in the construction of the following improvements utilizing Transportation Economic Development (TED) Category A Funds:

Construction of median cross-overs and left turn lanes for the creation of indirect left turning operations along old Highway US-27 (Lansing Rd) at Packard Highway, together with necessary related work and construction of turn lanes on Packard Highway, located within the corporate limits of Charlotte and in Eaton Township, Eaton County, Michigan.

Estimated Funds:

State Restricted TED Funds	\$160,000
State Restricted Trunkline Funds	\$ 40,000
Wal-Mart Stores, Inc., Funds	<u>\$200,000</u>
Total Funds	<u>\$400,000</u>

EDA 23012 - 52610  
Amendment

The purpose of this amendment is to provide for an increase in the maximum amount of TED Funds to \$254,000 to be applied to the eligible items of the project cost in case the actual construction cost exceeds the estimated cost shown above.

4. MUNICIPAL - Cost Participation for Local Agency Construction Contract  
Contract (2001-5515) between MDOT and the Grand Traverse County Road Commission will provide for participation by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) in the construction under contract by the County of the following Transportation Enhancement improvements:

Construction work for the replacement and addition of culverts for Parker Creek along Knight Road from 105 feet south of the South Branch of Parker Creek to 614 feet north of the North Branch of Parker Creek to Cedar Creek Road, including paving work, for water quality mitigation.

Estimated Funds:

FHWA Funds	\$69,600
Grand Traverse County Road Commission Funds	<u>\$17,400</u>
Total Funds	<u>\$87,000</u>

STE 28900 - 50092  
Local Letting

5. MUNICIPAL - Cost Participation for Local Preliminary Engineering  
Contract (2001-5525) between MDOT and the Grand Traverse County Road Commission will provide for participation in the construction of the following improvements utilizing State Build Michigan III Funds:

The performance of preliminary engineering activities for the widening from a two-lane roadway to a four-lane boulevard along Hartman-Hammond Road from Highway US-31 to Cass Road and the widening from a four-lane to a five-lane roadway along Hartman-Hammond Road from Cass Road to Lafranier Road.

Estimated Funds:

State Restricted Trunkline Funds	\$1,600,000
Grand Traverse County Road Commission Funds	<u>\$ -0-</u>
Total Funds	<u>\$1,600,000</u>

MBS 28459 - 59337  
Local Preliminary Engineering

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6. MUNICIPAL - Reimbursement for Errors and Omissions  
Contract (2001-5470) between MDOT and DLZ Michigan, Inc., will provide for reimbursement by the consultant for errors and omissions involved in the preparation of design plans for the construction of relocated Highway US-27 from Wildcat Road to Walker Road.

Estimated Funds:

DLZ Funds	\$262,264.52
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FR 19033 - 20047C  
Reimbursement

7. \*AERONAUTICS - Aviation Education/Safety Program  
Contract (2001-0993) between MDOT and Michigan Association of Airport Executives, will provide for workshops and/or other training programs as agreed upon by the Department's project manager. Topics may include, but are not limited to, legislative issues affecting local airports and aviation safety issues. This contract will be in effect from date of award through December 31, 2002. Source of Funds: State Restricted Aeronautics Funds - \$24,000.
8. AERONAUTICS - Airport Layout Plan Update  
Contract (2002-0176) between MDOT and the City of Marshall will provide Federal and State Grant funds for an Airport Layout Plan (ALP) Update at Brooks Field in Marshall, Michigan. This is a sub-grant issued pursuant to the condition of the Block Grant given to MDOT by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA). The contract will be in effect for a period of 36 months from the date of award. Source of Funds: Federal Aviation Administration Funds (via Block Grant)-\$36,000; State Restricted Aeronautics Funds-\$2,000; City of Marshall Funds- \$2,000; Contract Total- \$40,000.

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9. AERONAUTICS - Construct Terminal Building (Phase 2)  
Contract ( 2002-0179) between MDOT and the Northwestern Regional Airport Commission (NRAC) will provide Federal and State Grant funds for construction of a terminal building (Phase 2) at the Cherry Capital Airport in Traverse City, Michigan. The contract will be in effect for a period of 36 months from the date of award. Source of Funds: Federal Aviation Administration Funds (via Block Grant) - \$2,492,084; State Restricted Aeronautics Funds- \$138,450; NRAC Funds- \$138,450; Contract Total- \$2,768,984.
10. CONSTRUCTION & TECHNOLOGY - Construction Engineering and Inspection & Testing Services  
Contract (99-0228) between MDOT and Consoer Townsend & Envirodyne provides for Construction Engineering and/or Inspection and Testing Services to be performed on an as needed/when needed basis for MDOT construction projects. This authorization revision (Z7, R2) provides for additional final estimate material reviews for local agency projects in the Southwest Region and an extension of time until November 30, 2002. The original authorization provides for final estimate material reviews for local agency projects in the Southwest Region and will expire on November 30, 2001. The original authorization is for the amount of \$138,731.74. This revision is for the amount of \$48,044.82, bringing the total authorization amount to \$186,776.56. The contract term remains unchanged, April 1, 1999, through December 15, 2002. Source of Funds: 80% Federal Highway Administration Funds (\$38,435.86) and 20% State Restricted Trunkline Funds (\$9,608.96).
11. \*CONSTRUCTION & TECHNOLOGY - FHWA Research Grant  
Contract (2002-0135) between MDOT and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) is a grant from the FHWA for research on variable speeds in construction work zones statewide. The grant will provide \$567,413 for the research, and MDOT and Michigan State University will provide matching funds. The grant will be in effect from the date of award through 18 months. Source of Funds: FHWA Funds - \$567,413; State Restricted Trunkline Funds - \$85,395; Michigan State University Funds - \$55,595; Contract Total - \$708,403.
12. \*CONSTRUCTION & TECHNOLOGY - Additional IDS Services  
Amendatory contract (2001-0136/A1) between MDOT and Tyme Engineering, Inc., will expand the IDS services provided to include any construction engineering services for which the consultant is prequalified. The contract term remains unchanged, November 15, 2000, through October 31, 2003. The contract amount remains unchanged at \$4,000,000, and the maximum amount of each authorization remains unchanged at \$1,000,000. Authorizations over \$100,000 will be submitted to the State Administrative Board for approval. Source of Funds: Federal Highway Administration Funds, State Restricted Trunkline Funds, or Local Funds, depending on the specific project of each authorization.

13. \*CONSTRUCTION & TECHNOLOGY - Fabrication Inspection Services  
Contract (2002-0172) between MDOT and Robert W. Hunt Company will provide services including, but not limited to, steel and concrete bridge fabrication inspection and miscellaneous testing, non-destructive testing, miscellaneous structure and sign structure fabrication inspection, corresponding field inspection, and technical consulting related to the work. The contract will begin on January 1, 2002, and expire December 31, 2006. The total contract amount is \$500,000. Services will be issued on a work assignment basis. Source of Funds: Federal Highway Administration Funds, State Restricted Trunkline Funds, or Local Funds, depending on the specific project of each assignment.
14. \*CONSTRUCTION & TECHNOLOGY - Fabrication Inspection Services  
Contract (2002-0173) between MDOT and Testing Engineers & Consultants, Inc., will provide services including, but not limited to, steel and concrete bridge fabrication inspection and miscellaneous testing, non-destructive testing, miscellaneous structure and sign structure fabrication inspection, corresponding field inspection, and technical consulting related to the work. The contract will begin on January 1, 2002, and expire December 31, 2006. The total contract amount is \$1,000,000. Services will be issued on a work assignment basis.. Source of Funds: Federal Highway Administration Funds, State Restricted Trunkline Funds, or Local Funds, depending on the specific project of each assignment.
15. \*CONSTRUCTION & TECHNOLOGY - Fabrication Inspection Services  
Contract (2002-0174) between MDOT and Non-Destructive Testing Group will provide services including, but not limited to, steel and concrete bridge fabrication inspection and miscellaneous testing, non-destructive testing, miscellaneous structure and sign structure fabrication inspection, corresponding field inspection, and technical consulting related to the work. The contract will begin on January 1, 2002, and expire December 31, 2006. The total contract amount is \$6,500,000. Services will be issued on a work assignment basis. Source of Funds: Federal Highway Administration Funds, State Restricted Trunkline Funds, or Local Funds, depending on the specific project of each assignment.
16. \*CONSTRUCTION & TECHNOLOGY - University Services  
Contract (2002-0186) between MDOT and Michigan State University will provide services for field testing of variable speed limits in construction work zones. The contract will begin on the date of award and expire 18 months thereafter. The total contract amount is \$222,108. Source of Funds: 80% Federal Highway Administration Funds -\$177,687 and 20% Michigan State University Funds - \$44,421.

17. DESIGN - Time Extension  
Amendatory contract (97-0607/A2) between MDOT and HH Engineering, Limited, will extend the contract term by one year to allow previously issued authorizations to be completed. The original contract provides for design services to be performed on an as needed/when needed basis and initiated with written authorizations. The revised contract term will be December 29, 1997, through December 29, 2002. The maximum contract amount remains unchanged at \$2,000,000. Source of Funds: Restricted Federal, State, or Local funds, depending on the source of funds for the particular project authorized.
18. DESIGN - Time Extension  
Amendatory contract (97-0794/A3) between MDOT and Tetra Tech MPS will extend the contract term by one year to allow previously issued authorizations to be completed. The original contract provides for design services to be performed on an as needed/when needed basis and initiated with written authorizations. The revised contract term will be December 17, 1997, through December 17, 2002. The maximum contract amount remains unchanged at \$2,000,000. Source of Funds: Restricted Federal, State, or Local funds, depending on the source of funds for the particular project authorized.
19. DESIGN - Increase Scope and Amount  
Amendatory contract (2000-0024/A4) between MDOT and Orchard, Hiltz & McCliment, Inc., will add detailed design plans for the relocation of the watermain and associated items in the cities of Dearborn and Detroit and will increase the contract amount by \$427,365.90 accordingly. Work items will include City of Dearborn watermain design, City of Detroit watermain design, streetscape work in the City of Dearborn, videotaping of storm sewer in the City of Dearborn, and videotaping of combined sewer in the City of Detroit. The original contract provides for the design of US-12 (Michigan Avenue) from Firestone Avenue to Livernois Road in the cities of Dearborn and Detroit in Wayne County (CS 82062 -JN 47064C). The contract term remains unchanged, March 3, 2000, through December 31, 2002. The revised contract amount will be \$1,161,528.43. Source of Funds: 81.85% Federal Highway Administration Funds and 18.15% State Restricted Trunkline Funds.

20. DESIGN - IDS Design Consultant Services

Contract (2001-0955) between MDOT and HNTB Michigan, Inc., provides for design consultant services on an as needed/when needed basis. The contract term is August 28, 2001, through August 28, 2004.

This authorization (Z1) is for \$661,515.69, which provides for the design of the reconstruction of I-69 BL from M-50 to SB I-69 in the City of Charlotte/CS 23012 - JN 53225C in Eaton county . Work items include total removal and replacement of mainline pavement, storm sewer replacement, super and crown modification, curb and gutter replacement, addition of center left turn lane at intersection of I-69 BL & Island Highway, radii improvements at all major intersections, access management, and drainage structure adjustment and/or reconstruction. The project length is 1.45 mile. Source of Funds: 100% State Restricted Trunkline Funds.

21. DESIGN - Design Consultant Services

Contract (2002-0136) between MDOT and URS Corporation Great Lakes will provide for the design of I-96 at Beck Road and Wixom Road Interchange in the city of Wixom in Oakland County. The work items of this contract include preparation of base plans, final right-of-way plans, bridge structure studies, preliminary and final roadway plans, bridge plans, and traffic signal plans; maintaining traffic; and other needs. The contract will be in effect from the date of award through April 5, 2005. The maximum dollar amount of the contract is \$3,000,000. Source of Funds: 90% Federal Highway Administration Funds and 10% State Restricted Trunkline Funds.

22. DESIGN - Design Consultant Services

Contract (2002-0145) between MDOT and DLZ Michigan, Inc., will provide for the design of I-75 BL near Square Lake Road in Oakland County/CS 63111, 63174 - JN 51483D & E, 56623D, 51482D & E, and 55857C . This project is a two- phase project. Phase I includes early preliminary engineering studies for the development and evaluation of the geometrics and operational improvements for I-75 at I-75 BL. An engineering report will be developed indicating the construction cost for the entire project, the right-of-way impacts, the construction staging plan for the northbound alignment and related interchanges and the level of service (LOS). Phase II will begin with written approval from the project manager and will include the design of the selected alternative. The length of this project is 2.11 miles. The term of this contract will be from the date of award through February 28, 2004. The maximum dollar amount of this contract is \$1,880,036.69. Source of Funds: 80% Federal Highway Administration Funds and 20% State Restricted Trunkline Funds.

23.     \* TRAFFIC & SAFETY - Consultant Services  
Contract (2001-1017) between MDOT and TransCore ITS - Michigan, P.C., will enable MDOT to request specific traffic engineering services to be performed on an as needed/when needed basis with a written authorization. The contract will be in effect from the date of award through 36 months, unless extended to complete projects. The maximum obligation for payment of funds for any individual authorization is \$500,000. The total obligation of funds under this contract will not exceed \$2,000,000. The authorizations issued under this contract will be funded with Restricted Federal, State, or Local funds, depending on the source of funds for the particular project authorized. Any individual authorization of \$100,000 or more will be submitted to the State Administrative Board for approval.
24.     \* TRANSPORTATION PLANNING - Jurisdictional Transfer MOU  
Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) (2001-1016) between MDOT and the Wayne County Department of Public Services will transfer jurisdiction of .14 miles of Davison Avenue, from Rosa Parks Boulevard to M-10/Lodge Freeway. Jurisdiction will transfer from the County to MDOT upon award. This is a zero dollar Memorandum of Understanding.
25.     \* TRANSPORTATION PLANNING - Socio-Economic and Demographic Forecasts  
Contract (2002-0185) between MDOT and the Regents of the University of Michigan will provide for the development of an updated and consistent set of population, employment, personal income, household, and labor productivity forecasts for the State of Michigan and its 83 counties. These forecasts will be used by MDOT, Metropolitan Planning Organizations, and Regional Planning Agencies to develop estimates and forecasts of travel. The contract will be in effect from the date of award through September 30, 2002. The contract amount is \$230,000. Source of Funds: Federal Highway Administration Funds - \$184,000; State Restricted Trunkline Funds - \$46,000.
26.     \* UPTRAN - MiRLAP Project Completion Extension  
Amendatory contract (2000-0293/A3) between MDOT and Third Coast Distributors will extend the project completion period for construction of a rail-served bulk commodity transload facility in Lansing from January 9, 2002, to September 30, 2002. The extension is needed due to Lansing Board of Water and Light delays in relocating the water main. The original contract provides financial assistance for the construction of a transload facility, including track, conveyors, pits, and foundation, under the Michigan Rail Loan Assistance Program (MiRLAP). The term of the contract, including the loan payback period, remains unchanged, from May 9, 2000, until one year after the last obligation between the parties has been fulfilled. The total cost of the project remains unchanged at \$835,000. Source of Funds: FY 2000 State Restricted Comprehensive Transportation Funds - \$751,500; Third Coast Distributors Funds - \$83,500.

27. \*UPTRAN - MiRLAP Increase in Scope and Amount  
Amendatory Contract (2001-0938/A1) between MDOT and Lake State Railway Company will add the construction phase of the project and increase the contract amount accordingly. The original contract provides financial assistance for critical rail infrastructure repairs to the Thunder Bay River railroad bridge under the Michigan Rail Loan Assistance Program (MiRLAP). This amendment provides an additional \$980,644.50 to the prime contract amount of \$33,800, for a revised total contract amount of \$1,014,444.50. This is approximately 50 percent of the total project cost of \$1,995,089. The remaining construction costs will be funded through an economic development loan/grant contract (2002-0178). This project will retain and improve rail freight transportation in the City of Alpena and the State of Michigan. The amendment will also revise the contract term in order to establish a firm end date. The revised contract term, including the loan payback period, will be from August 28, 2001, until the last obligation between the parties has been fulfilled or until the contract is terminated, but in no instance later than December 31, 2014. Source of Funds: State Restricted Comprehensive Transportation Funds - \$913,000.05 (FY 2001 - \$30,420, FY2002 - \$882,580.05); Lake State Railway Company Funds - \$101,444.45.
28. \*UPTRAN- Economic Development  
Contract (2002-0178) between MDOT and Lafarge North America will provide financial assistance for the undertaking of critical repair work needed for the Thunder Bay River railroad bridge. This project will improve rail freight transportation and promote economic development in the City of Alpena, Alpena County. The total cost of the project is estimated to be \$1,995,089. MDOT's loan is estimated to be \$980,644.50, approximately 50 percent of the total project cost. The remaining 50 percent will be funded through a Michigan Rail Loan Assistance Program (MiRLAP) loan (2001-0938). Provisions included in the contract permit the loan to be forgiven incrementally over a five-year period if Lafarge North America meets its annual shipping and/or receiving commitment of 1850 freight carloads. The term of the contract will begin at award and extend until the last obligation between the parties has been fulfilled, until the agreement is terminated, until the loan has been forgiven as described above, or until the loan has been fully repaid, but in no instance later than March 31, 2008. Source of Funds: FY 2002 State Restricted Comprehensive Transportation Funds - \$980,644.50.

## **EXCESS PROPERTY**

29.     RESOLUTION "A" Sale to Abutting Owner Tract 349  
CS 52061, Parcel 81 Part D, Item 1  
The property is located in Chocolay Township, Marquette County, Michigan, and contains 3,580 square feet, more or less. The subject tract was appraised by Donald Sandstrom, Superior Region Agent, on June 11, 1997, and reviewed and approved at the current market value of \$550 by Mark Jordon, Supervisor, Program Management Unit, on October 4, 2001. The property has insufficient acreage for building or developing, with the highest and best use being to sell to the only abutting owner. Thomas Hetu and Eileen O'Brien (as tenants in common ), the only abutting owners, have offered to purchase the subject tract at the appraised value.  
\$550
30.     RESOLUTION "B" - Exchange Tract 344  
CS 11112, Parcel 359S Part A, Item 1  
This is an exchange of property between the Michigan Department of Transportation and James and Laurie Headley for property required for Right of Way (ROW) for the US-31 project. MDOT has agreed to release 200 feet of limited access rights on Meadowbrook Road to the Headleys, and the Headleys have agreed to convey 21,130 square feet of property required for ROW estimated at \$400, along with a permit covering 4,573 square feet estimated at \$200, to MDOT. The property MDOT is conveying to the Headleys is located in Benton Township, Berrien County, Michigan. It was appraised by Dave Normand, Property Analyst, on September 14, 2001, and reviewed and approved at the current market value of \$600 by Marie Lewis, Manager, Project Development Section, on October 24, 2001. James and Laurie Headley, the only abutting owners, have offered to purchase the subject tract at the appraised value. The consideration for this exchange is mutual benefits.  
Mutual Benefits

31. RESOLUTION "C" Relinquishment of Easement Tract 358  
CS 50071, Parcel 12, C-15, 16, 16 Part A, C-17, Item 1

The area proposed for relinquishment is located in Macomb and Chesterfield Township, Macomb County, Michigan. In settlement of a law suit in Case 98-5827 CC in Macomb County, MDOT agreed to convey abandoned Snover Road, retaining easements for utilities, water, sewer, and drainage over the entire property. It was agreed that when the location of the easements were determined, the current easements would be released and new replacement easements would be granted. JDN Development Company, the current property owner, has obtained approval from MDOT's Permit Section for the relocation of MDOT's drainage easement, as well as Permits for all the utility easements that cross and transverse the road. MDOT will release its current drainage easement, and JDN Development company will grant MDOT a new replacement easement. Since JDN Development will pay all costs associated with replacing the new drainage facilities, the consideration for this exchange of easements rights is mutual benefits.

Mutual Benefits

In accordance with MDOT's policies and procedures and subject to concurrence by the Federal Highway Administration, the preparation and execution of the appropriate documents approved by the Attorney General, and compliance with all legal and fiscal requirements, the Director recommends for approval by the State Administrative Board the items on this agenda.

The approval by the State Administrative Board of these contracts does not constitute the award of same. The award of contracts shall be made at the discretion of the Director-Department of Transportation when the aforementioned requirements have been met. Subject to exercise of that discretion, I approve the contracts described in this agenda and authorize their award by the responsible management staff of MDOT to the extent authorized by, and in accordance with, the December 14, 1983, resolution of the State Transportation Commission and the Director's delegation memorandum of January 16, 2001.

Respectfully submitted,

Gregory J. Rosine,  
Director